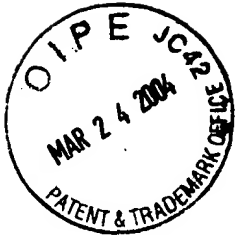


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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Inventor: Tatau NISHINAGA                      Group Art Unit: 1765  
Appln. No.: 09/511,912                      Examiner: M. Anderson  
Filed: February 23, 2000  
For: A METHOD FOR FORMING A SINGLE CRYSTALLINE FILM

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Final Rejection dated January 30, 2004,  
Applicant submits the following remarks.

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested in  
light of the following remarks.

Claims 1-23 remain pending in the application. Of these,  
claims 7-10 and 19 are withdrawn from consideration.

Applicant submits that the finality of the present  
rejections is improper because the present rejections were not  
necessitated by Applicant's amendment of the claims. The  
previous Office Action, dated June 25, 2003, rejected claims 1-6,  
11-18, and 20-23 solely under 35 USC §112, first paragraph. The  
only amendments to the claims made in response to these